



# *Portfolio Optimization with R/Rmetrics*

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## Portfolio Optimization Problem

... return, risk, performance ratio

For a given set of financial assets let us find the composition

- 1) which minimizes the risk for a given return (reward),
- 2) which maximizes the return for a given risk,
- 3) which optimizes a reward/risk performance ratio,
- 4) which finds the global minimum risk,

subject to certain **constraints and preferences**.

# How to quantify Risk ?

*Stone 1973*

$$R_S[Y_0, k, A](f) = \left( \int_{-\infty}^A |y - Y_0|^k f(y) dy \right)^{1/k}$$

$y$  are the financial returns,  
 $f(\cdot)$  their multivariate distribution  
 $A$ ,  $Y_0$ , and  $k$  parameters

$$R_{SD}(f) = R_S[\mu_y, 2, \infty](f)$$

$$R_{SSD}(f) = R_S[\mu_y, 2, 0](f)$$

$$R_{SVM}(f) = R_S[\mu_y, 2, 0]^2(f)$$

$$R_{\alpha-t}(f) = R_S[t, \alpha, t]^\alpha(f)$$

*Pederson and Satchell 1998*

$$R[A, b, \alpha, \theta, W(\cdot)] = \left[ \int_{-\infty}^A |y - b|^\alpha W[F(y)] f(y) dy \right]^\theta$$

*Includes:*

*Mean - Covariance Risk*

*Mean - CVaR Measure:*

$k = 1, A = VaR, Y_0 = 0$

for some bounded function  $W(\cdot)$

(BP1) (Nonnegativity):  $R[\tilde{y}] \geq 0$ .

(BP2) (Homogeneity):  $R[\lambda \tilde{y}] = |\lambda| R[\tilde{y}]$  for  $\lambda \geq 0$ .

(BP3) (Subadditivity):  $R[\tilde{y}_1 + \tilde{y}_2] \leq R[\tilde{y}_1] + R[\tilde{y}_2]$ .

(BP4) (Shift-invariance):  $R[\tilde{y} + \lambda] \leq R[\tilde{y}]$  for all  $\lambda$ .

*Artzner, Delbaen, Eber, Heath 1999*

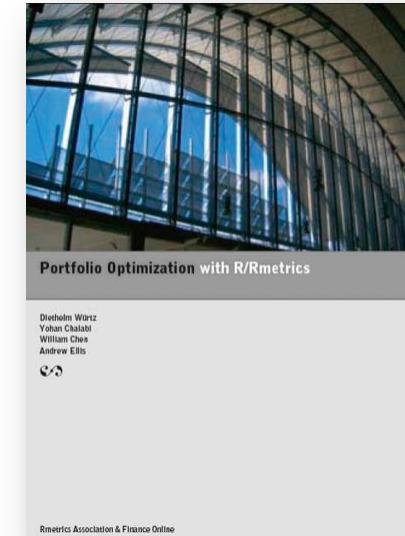
(ADEH 3) (translation invariance)  $R(X + c) = R(X) - c$  for all  $c$

... this makes a coherent risk measure

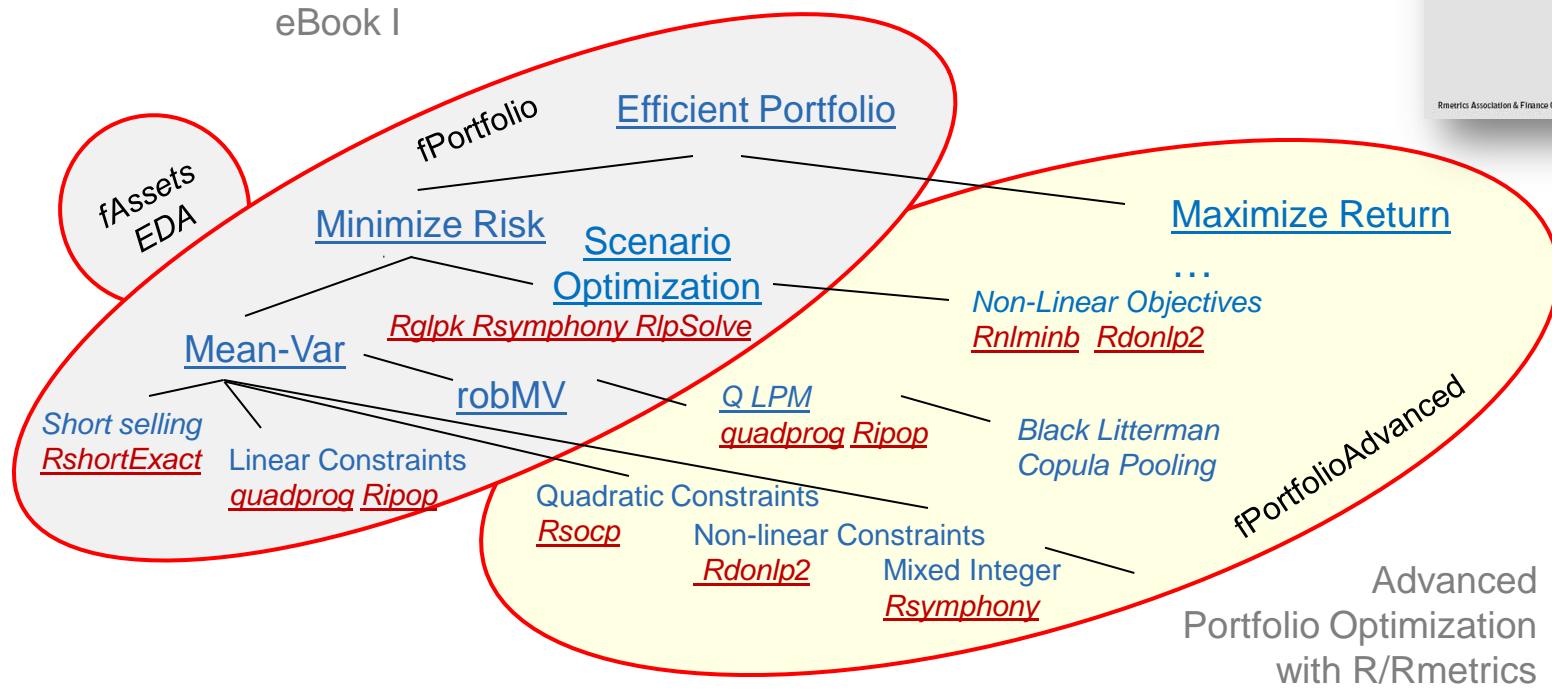
(ADEH 4) (monotonicity)  $X \leq Y \Rightarrow R(Y) \leq R(X)$ .

## fPortfolio Zoo: Rmetrics Software

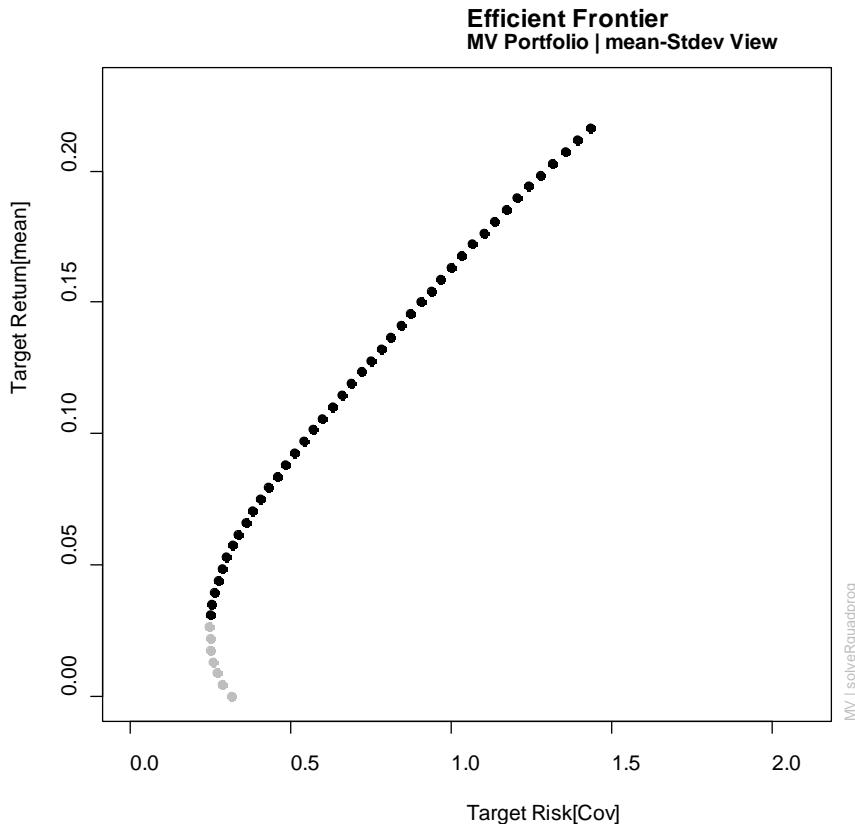
*Topics*  
*Managing Data Sets of Assets*  
*Exploratory Data Analysis of Assets*  
*Portfolio Framework*  
*Mean-Variance Portfolios*  
*Mean-CVaR Portfolios*  
*Portfolio Backtesting*



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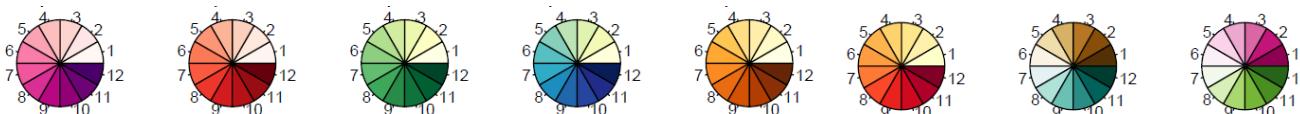
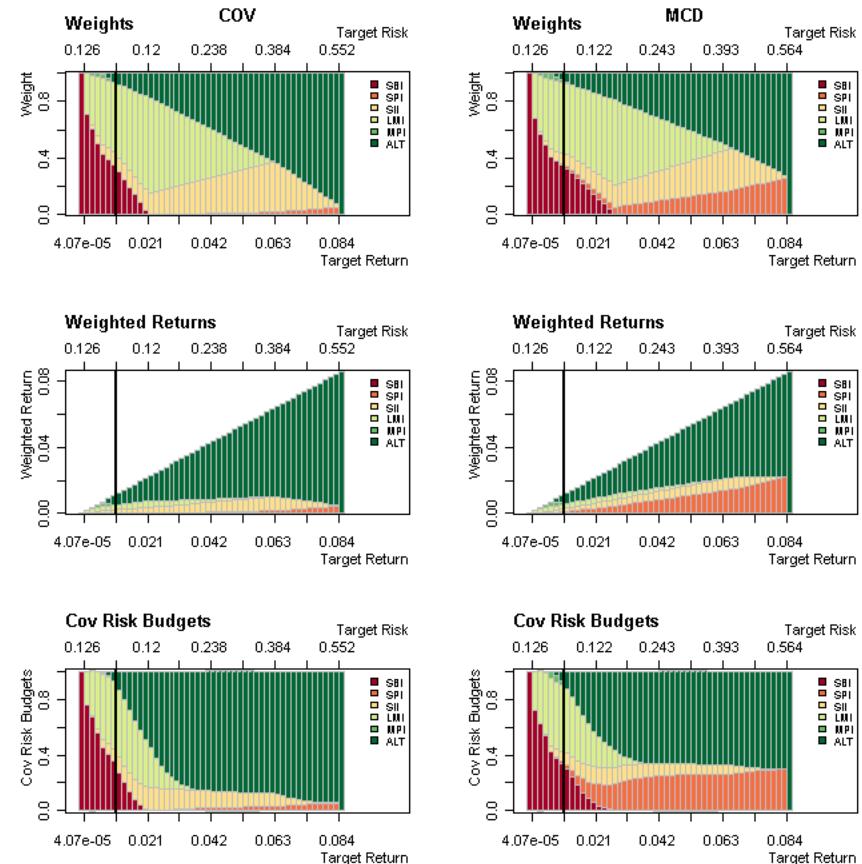
# Plotting Frontiers and Weights . . .



# Reducing Estimation Errors ...

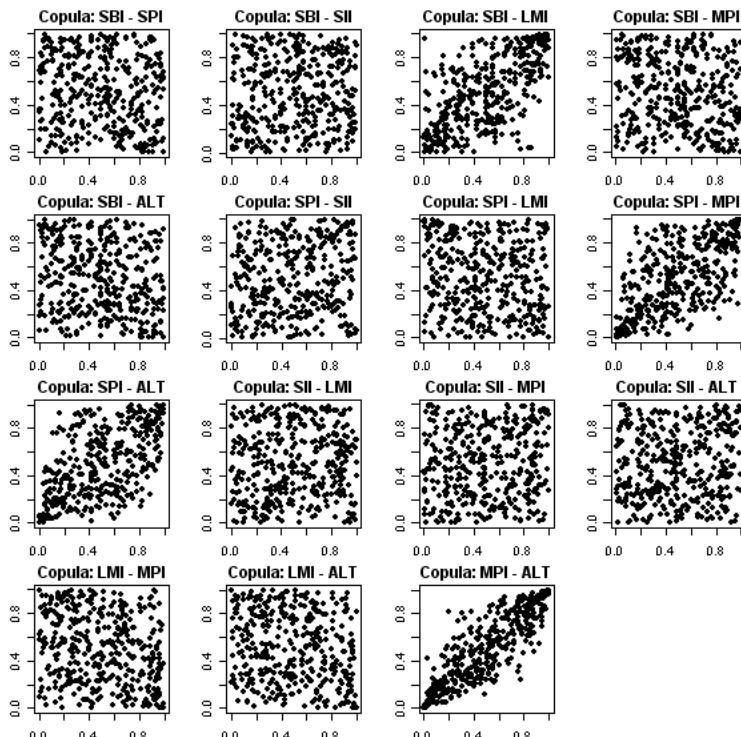
## Functions:

- covEstimator
- kendallEstimator
- spearmanEstimator
- mcdEstimator
- mveEstimator
- covMcdEstimator
- covOGKEstimator
- shrinkEstimator
- baggedEstimator



# Copulae Tail Risks ...

## Copulae Lower Tail Risk Dependence Budgets



**SBI CH Bonds**  
**SPI CH Stocks**  
**SII CH Immo**  
**LMI World Bonds**  
**MPI World Stocks**  
**ALT World AltInvest**

$$\lambda_{lower} = \lim_{u \rightarrow 0} \left[ \Pr(Y \leq F_Y^{-1}(u) \mid X \leq F_X^{-1}(u)) \right] = \lim_{u \rightarrow 0} \left[ \frac{C(u,u)}{u} \right]$$

Tail Dependence:  
Lower

$$\min \quad w^\top \hat{\Sigma} w \\ s. \ t.$$

$$w^\top \hat{\mu} = \bar{r}$$

$$w^\top 1 = 1$$

$$\mathcal{L}_i^{lower} \leq \frac{w_i}{\lambda} \frac{d\lambda}{dw_i} \leq \mathcal{L}_i^{upper}$$

...

... Quadratic Constraints use Rsocp  
(not yet fully implemented)

# GCC Country Rotation

